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USELESS LETTERS DROPT WHILE WE SLEPT.

spring. The Simplified Spelling board, encouraged by the increase of its support from authors, editors and educational institutions, has issued a new list of im-

Some of the shorter and uglier words contained in the INVITING THE BURGLAR BY board's latest out-giving represent the removal of the DISPLAYS OF JEWELS, ETC. word's appendix, so to speak, as "adz" for adze and "wo" for woe. Most of them belong to a class ending. according to the established spelling, in "ed," although and jewels is the claim of police authorities everywhere. | floor for that purpose. we pronounce the final sound as "t." The board argues, logically enough, that inasmuch as the spoken word has changed its sound, the written symbols ought to change with it, especially when by the change we not only spell the word more easily but save a letter.

Thus instead of "dashed" and "dipped" we have and "dipt," Likewise we have "dript," "dropt," "exprest," "fixt," "mixt," "prest," "possesst," "skipt," "ript," "snapt," "stept," "stopt," "whipt," "winkt," and whatever other words naturally come her back at a quickstep, searching the rings in vain.

It's very fine, and doubtless we shall all come to it in time. But editors and printers "thruout" the country will have a "woful" time of it until the new reforms have become fully "establisht."

## JUDGE MYERS, THE POLITICIAN, VERSUS JUDGE MYERS, JURIST.

before the republican state convention last week, due ness. Close kin to her is the woman who, out for the to the reception that it has received from the state evening, wouldn't think of wasting enough gas or board of finance, reminds one of what they used to electric current to leave a light burning. She would call "black republican lies," back in the 80's. Myers, rather invite the burglar. the politician, overruling Myers the judge, for political effect, shows how far the republicans are willing to far from being the only sinners. go to scratch up an issue; either that or it goes to prove the unreliability of republican judges,

show that, contrary to democratic report, the state of it rather immoral to put temptation in the way of the Indiana is not out of debt, and to specify state debts weak and wrong minded? unpaid, he gave what appears now to have been a list of claims which he himself had held invalid while he was on the state supreme bench. Perhaps Judge Myers OUR ARMY AEROPLANES. would like to have it appear that he paid those debts | The most obvious military lesson taught by the exnon-payable, but he ought to have said what he meant, good aeroplanes. Our army aviators themselves seem are still a charge against the commonwealth.

pain, also seem to evidence a lack of technical knowl- comparatively small campaign as our punitive expediedge-or else a stack of political dishonesty-on his tion has undertaken. part. These so-called bonds, amounting to \$340,000. The aeroplanes at the disposal of the army were unare not bonds at all, but more in the nature of a trust fitted for the task. Scouting duty in northern Mexico fund created by congress with the state of Indiana as requires aircraft with powerful engines, to enable them trustee, with Purdue university as beneficiary at the to take the high altitudes, climbing easily over the rate of five per cent annually on the above amount. | mountain tops and bucking the shifting air currents

known of the other claims wiped out by decision of the necessary power. Thus their usefulness was limitthe supreme court while he was on the bench, but ed, the aviators themselves were exposed needlessly to seemingly when it comes to talking republican politics, peril from flying low, making easy marks for snipers, such things do not count. Depending upon his s and- and from frequent forced landings in a wild, broken ing, because an ex-judge of the supreme court, it was country. presumed, we suppose, that anything he might say The defect is now being remedied. It might have would pass unchallenged. Republican anticipations been remedied during the long months while the army teachers. It was impossible to show who had supported Mr. Montgomery run to the effect, it appears, that by standing someone was encamped along the Mexican border, with just such that the inharmonious relations throughout, resigned, hoping to set up who has held a prominent position in public life, a campaign in prospect. Fortunately there have thus between the superintendent and the a good example to his colleagues. and letting him do the g. o. p. prevaricating, it will far been no disastrour results. The partial failure of three principals were the fault of They declined to follow the example

### NECESSITY MAY BE MOTHER OF DOMESTIC MACHINERY.

The Chicago Tribune, commenting upon the scarcity of domestic servants, particularly in the east, where many employment bureaus have gone out of business and others have taken to advertising for workers, professes a certain satisfaction. It says:

"This is a desperate situation for the daughters of American families to find themselves in. Imagine having to wash the dishes before going to the theater or the cabaret! Imagine the pain of having to learn how to sweep and iron and help with the dusting in the morning. . . . . We suspect that a good many girls have adopted feminism because it seemed to justify their neglect of the dinner dishes. Apparently dish washing is in for a revival. We confess we are not particularly sorry.'

dish washing" in the old, cumbersome, waste-motion, comrades captured by Mexicans while in swimming, back-breaking fashion, it would be a pity. But if the guilty, and sentences him to a reprimand, necessity for doing the work themselves will bring them | But to most Americans that reprimand is as good back to it with an open-minded attitude toward house- as a cross of honor,—and perhaps really amounted to of the city, as well as the large others who will be courageous in the work, that will be a different matter. Housework has one in the delivery. It was merely to preserve the stores and most of the manufactur- work and true to the higher ideals of sound of his voice tittered. been the last of occupations to utilize machinery, to form of discipline, adopt efficiency methods. The women who do it are usually so busy with one duty after another that they cannot see their work as a whole in perspective. They on Mexico. Some guerrilla has been surreptitiously ed a committee of men of undoubt- tail as a swiftly moving stream of lumber business, and is the wealthcannot see the forest for the trees. They are hampered milking those Hearst ranch cows again. by habit and tradition. They do not take readily to

new ways of doing their work. This is where the servant scarcity may help. women who have not been accustomed to housework. their own work, they will not tolerate the ancient "Follies." Oh fame! how ephemeral thou art!

drudgery which the intelligent use of machinery and conservation ideas has made unnecessary. They will bring their mental power to bear upon this job as upon any other new task, with the result that methods of attacking it may be greatly improved all along the line. Anything which will help to modernize these immemorial labors is to be welcomed,

# 'NOTHING TO FIGHT FOR" IN

AMERICA? WE GUESS YES

eration of Labor at an anti-preparedness meeting in New York city. And many of his hearers cheered him. If this view were really prevalent among any large number of Americans, it would be a cause for serious

alarm. If there is nothing in American citizenship worth fighting for, then the American republic is the In fact I'd be a soldier in a minute, get rid of a ford last year, and that Beginning with a clean slate, with an incalculably

rich continent to develop, with a foundation of free and If they would only change their bein Theres 10 cents more for my intelligent pioneers, with political institutions hailed as the best ever evolved, if at the end of a century and a Single Copy 2c; Sunday, 5c; Morning or Evening Edition, quarter of unequalled opportunity we have nothing for daily, including Sunday, by mail, \$2.00 per year in advance; the ordinary citizen to be proud of or to fight for them. the ordinary citizen to be proud of or to fight for-then, indeed, we have made a sad mess of its

But it isn't likely that any great number of Ameri- ed while shaking hands with the cans will agree with the Pennsylvania labor leader. VOODMAN, 225 Fifth Av., New York City and Adv. Bldg. It is doubtful whether many of the very union men he is supposed to represent would agree with him, if the defrauded through petronage of any advertisement in this matter were put to them dispassionately. Much as they paper will confer a favor on the management by reporting may have suffered as a result of unjust labor conditions, when it came to the ultimate test nearly all of them DAILY CIRCULATION ALWAYS IN EXCESS would be found on the firing line, fighting for their homes and their country's ideals as their predecessors did in 1776 and 1812 and 1861 and 1898.

But of course, all this is on condition that Mr. Maurer | minutes. meant what he said in the sense it is taken abovethat he had "nothing to fight for" rather than that he had "nothing to fight about." If the latter, it knocks all our moralizing in the head, for he was right, and this notwithstanding that so estimable an individual as Mr. James J. Hill, as quoted yesterday, is so full of Words, like women's skirts, are to be shorter this fight for the preservation of our "national prestige" or

something, that he can hardly contain himself. Having something to fight for and something to fight about are two different propositions.

That women actually invite burglars to loot their homes, that they lure thieves into taking their purses Preventing crime, and where that fails, catching the criminals, is the duty of the police, and they do it as successfully as they can. But sometimes they grow rather weary of serving women who have brought about their losses by sheer silliness.

There is the woman who takes off her rings in a public lavatory, wipes her hands and turns to find the jewels missing. Or perhaps she goes off leaving them on the washstand until her slipshod memory brings

There is the woman who leaves her purse on a chair with her coat while she goes into a fitting room at a department store. Often she leaves her expensive muff with it, bewails her loss and blames the store,

Then there is the woman who leaves a note on the door for the grocer or her friend, saying there is no one at home for the afternoon. There is also the woman who, when she goes away, carefully puts down the That "keynote" speech of Judge Quincy A. Myers shades all over the house, thus advertising its empti-

There are men, too, who encourage theft; women are the case of Shady Camel and Phil season. There's no doubt about it,

Why not use a little common sense and imagination way to the barber shop for the furst size, are visible for some distance. in the first place, and save yourself distress and the time. Phil kept tellin Shady all the In his keynote speech Judge Myers undertook to police unnecessary and often futile labor? Besides, isn't

# EXACTLY WHAT IS WRONG WITH

by his decision, and it is true that he rendered them perience of our soldiers in Mexico has been the need of being a jurist, rather than seek to pretend that they to deserve no criticism; they have done well with the equipment they were provided with. But that equip-The Purdue bonds, which also gave the judge some ment proves to have been inefficient even for such a

Judge Myers knows this as well as he must have that prevail in that region. The planes provided lacked

be sure to stick, for no one will dare to question it. our aviation corps will be worth while if it points the of the former, the failure to consult and were thus left in undisputed Are we to have another campaign of "black repub- way to genuine aerial preparedness, on a scale demand- the board was not substantiated, and control of the situation. Not many lican lies" like that of 1884, where the term originated? ed by modern war methods, in both our army and navy.

# THE NATIONAL GUARD LOBBY.

Certain prominent members of the national guard did not act on the basis of any in- by handing in an immediate resigseem to have carried their lobbying activity too far. formation reflecting on the personal nation. He left the city shortly after They have labored earnestly at Washington in behalf or professional character of Mr. to enter into business. of measures bringing the guard to greater strength and Montgomery. It was impossible to The net results of what is describ- with its provisions for a literacy test, dignity; and that is, on the whole, justifiable, although deny that the South Bend schools ed as the bitterest contest ever members of the house became somethe dictatorial tone assumed has been offensive to many has made decided progress under his waged in the city are: The loss of what confused on certain points of senators and representatives. But in bitterly opposing a federal volunteer army the spokesmen for the national guard have gone too far.

Even if it is granted that they have a perfect right to lobby directly in their own behalf, it is plainly im- was carried out in the face of the men who apparently feel it neces- migration committee and papa of proper for them to inform congress that they will not bitterest opposition form many rep- sary for their peace of mind to con- the bill, turned the little details tolerate such a military organization. They have really resentative elements in the com- trol school patronage more com- of grammar over to Rep. Fess of nothing to do with it.

# THE COURT MARTIAL INDIOCY

Red tape has again made a joke of Uncle Sam's army, Right now, when the whole country is lauding Col. equivocally in favor of Mr. Mont- local city politics outweigh all con- casional are to is, or an is to are. If the women who have been delegating their house- Slocum as a hero for entering Mexico in pursuit of gomery; three hundred of the 330 siderations of personal worth and While Fess and Burnett were in the work to other women while they exercise their wits Villa without orders, a court martial at Fort Sam at occupations requiring apparently more skill than Houston, Texas, finds Lieut, John E. Mort, who led housework should come back now to "a revival of his men across the border near Brownsville to rescue

With a whole page, citizens, Mr. Hearst demands war The Rotary club of the city appoint-

Prohibition law has some awful effects. Just think trustees, and the Chamber of Com- tions from the sun. Thus the tail with a certain degree of alacrity. of those two Portland barbers lying on the floor para- merce through its directors indorsed always points away from the sun Every little while he gives a signal lyzed by bay rum and hair tonic

# THE MELTING POT

FILLED BY THE EDITORIAL STAFF

### CHANGES NEEDED.

So spoke James H. Maurer of the Pennsylvania Fed. I'd even be an aviator if it wasn't for the falls.

I'd join the army and become a rea Only I'd hate to face the sharpened

I notice in The News-Times that a certain man had his pockets pick-Hon. Jim Watson. That should be sufficient lesson not to shake hands with any politician unless he be carrying an umbrella, shouldn't it?

### He Got His Five Minutes. Mr. Sparkman-I move that all debate on this paragraph and

from Florida moves that all de- paratus and several medicine balls." bate on this paragraph and amendments thereto close in five minutes, low them," spoke up one of the re-Mr. Mann-I make the point of cruits. order that the gentleman from Florida does not have the floor for the purpose of making that motion.

ida to make the motion,

Texas objected. unanimous consent.

Mr. Mann-He did not yield the insists upon his recognition, the gen- | The woman who goes,

I'm not a gambler, And I never bet; But I'll lay a wager,

We see where the French won an

### to evacuate successfully. THE LIFE OF JAKE HECKAMAN.

Chapter 15. Few of 'em try to look like Scotch there, collies any more, sez Jake Heckaman remnantnisintly. I kin reshavin as series as a operashion for voted for him are figuring on applyappendesitis. A feller wood go round ing for work at the Ford plant. with his face lookin like a Pole cat. rather than risk his first shave in Getz. Phil and Shady were on the white feet covering, no matter what way to the shop that you was suppost to tip the barber. Shady promist he would do it but never said nothin how much the tip was goin to amount to. As they were leevin

you give the barber a tip. Shure "I positively refuse to fight, because there is nothing I wouldn't mind war if it wasn't ! did sez Shady i gives him a dollar. Speekin of fellers bein afrad of getting there furst shave in the ole days, they say Will O'Brien went to Chicago to get his fur fear hed be FROM THE INDIANA SOCIETY kidded by sumbudy what new him. Jake's face has took on a new look these days. These nice days have made him remember he forgot to And when they'd battle would be in he will haf to ware it out this summer. So from now on insted of it cole bin' when he gets ahold of any And do their fighting with other money, it'll be 'Theres more money for gaslean.' Jake also sez he beleafs this wether is going to make

it a grate bock year. ADAM CROOK.

By the way. How's your salient. Reinforcements are going to be needed if they insist on paying those soldiers across the border in Mexican money,

## BASEBALL GOSSIP.

Mgr. Ben Koehler was addressing amendments thereto close in five the ball players the other day. He said: "We'll go over the Y. M. C. A. The chairman-The gentleman and work out. They've lots of ap-

"I don't think I'll be able to swal-

## BLOOD WILL TELD?

NEW YORK, April 10,-While The chairman-As the chair un- | walking with a man attendant in tist church. derstands, the gentleman from Texas | Central park, "Junior," an aristopermitted the gentleman from Flor- cratic buildog, wearing a bejeweled sake of accuracy, the circular of the collar and a plush robe, was at- "forum" be revised, and its promise Mr. Mann-The gentleman from tacked by a tramp terrier. Junior of free discussion eliminated. lost a large part of the robe and a

### EVER HEAR HER.

Put down with the rest, This pestiferous pest, tleman from Texas is recognized for To vaudeville shows, And can't see the song That appeals to the throng, But brings forth our frowns By her talk on the gowns.

Villa's going yet. S. C., as he handed us a clipping suffrage. stating that A. Seegar burned up the other great victory. They managed water in the state Y. M. aquatic

Villa should be able to find work over in Europe. When it comes to Men are gettin tired of whiskers, evacuating he seems to be right

member when a man considered got so many votes is that those who

Shoes, according to the woman's a barber shop. Take for instants page, are going to be conspicuous this

> Speaking of white shoes, did you ever? Sure you have!

But colored hose is hard to get. "Physicians endorse clean-up the shop, Phil sez well Shady did | movement." So do the laundries.

# South Bend's School Muddle

As Seen by the Elementary School Journal, The University of Chicago Press.

trustees of South Bend, Ind., voted these. But the truculent members dressed rich boy playing all alone two to one against renewing the contract of Supt. L. J. Montgomery. No refused to confer with committees, assertions that Mr. Montgomery did receive public petitions. The mayor not get along with three of his 18 school principals, that he acted too fluence toward securing any comfrequently without consulting all the pliance with these community demembers of the board, and that he mands. had a preference for out-of-town the preference for out-of-town days after this, and while the efteachers was easily disproved by a forts in his behalf were still in proadministration. No one disputed a superindendent whose administra- grammar in the revised bill. There the published list of the many tion was undeniably of a very effi- seemed to be subjects which lacked urated in the system.

cut support outside the city adminis- conditions as they were, tration which appointed them. The school principals with three excep- themselves able to remove superin- others right in matters of gender, tions made public statements un- tendents in this manner, so long as person and number, changing an octeachers took the same stand in let- efficiency, so long as community midst of fixing up the grammar in ters; both daily papers contrary to opinion expressed through so many the bill, up rose Rep. Jimmy Galliall precedents—were in agreement and so representative channels is van of Boston to inquire in a clear in their vehement condemnation of without effect; just so long will pub- flute-like voice, substantially: ing interests, carried on a vigorous public education, campaign to prevent the dismissal. ed standing in the community to atom fragments carried away fron. canvass the matter with the two the nucleus by the similar emana- gation in congress, spends his money

of the board withstood every attempt to penetrate their guard. They reasons were assigned other than to state their side to tribunals, or to of the city refused to use his in-

Finally the president of the board, mere review of the facts The two gress, Mr. Montgomery brought the trustees positively declared that they personal side of the fight to an end

changes and reforms he had inaug- cient character, the disruption of predicates, superfluous "than the schools for some years to come, whoms," or something like that. The program of the two trustees and the personal triumph of two Rep. Burnett, chairman of the immunity, and, in fact, with no clear- pletely than they could hope under Ohio, who is president of a college

the whole proceeding; while a cit- lic-school administration continue to izens' committee, representing in its lose its men of ability and initia- you trying to apply the literacy test composition practically all the banks tive and find it difficult to secure

a plan for submitting the case to an and the orbital motion of the nu- which means that as many members unprejudical tribunal composed of cleus causes the tail to curve like a of the house as can crowd into the court, an ex-judge of the superior nexule.

# The Public Pulse

communications for this column may be signed aconymously but must be accompanied by the name of the writer to insure good faith. No responsibility for facts or sentiments expressed will be assumed. Honest discussion of public questions is in-vited, but with the right reserved to eliminate victors and objectionable matter. The column is free. But, be

## FOR THE PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS.

Editor News-Times,

That all our town and cities have real housing problems is coming to be realized not alone by the state but by all who are concerned with public health. Bad housing is a should be discovered and cured in

> Sincerely yours, \*ARTHUR J. STRAWSON.

I wish to protest against the use of the name "The People's Open Forum," to designate the series of meetings which are being held on Sunday evenings at the First Bap-

I would also suggest that, for the

Certainly this is not the "practice of democracy.'

I do not wish to be understood as criticising Mrs. Bass or her excellent "I have a good one," said the H. statement of the case for woman

ALBERT COONLEY.

## STATESMEN GREAT AND **NEAR-GREAT**

By Fred Kelly

John W. Weeks of Massachusetts, who is running for president, is a modest man. The worst thing about running for president, Weeks thinks is having to be photographed for movies and "stills" right out doors where anybody can see. Every time he is thus photographed. Weeks blushes like a schoolgirl at her first musical comedy.

When Newton D. Baker became secretary of war, his predecessor, Lindley M. Garrison, considerately ran down from New York to show

him a few of the ropes. "You will find the place heavily infested with opportunity for arduous labor," remarked Garrison to Baker; "much more so in fact than I realized until I had tried it. After I had been here a week I was reminded of the story of the two tough boys who were walking by a In February the board of school court, and a third to be chosen by fine home and saw a handsomely

"'Come on out here,' suggested



"'Oh,' the tough boy assured him,

Your housing article by Miss Elinor Wolf in the Sunday edition a valuable contribution to the anti-tuberculosis movement in In-

and national housing associations disease which like other diseases its incipiency.

MEDISTRATED

This society is Interested because tuberculosis is a house disease and bad housing is one of the fundamental causes predisposing to tuber-

### SAYS FORUM IS MISNOMER Editor News-Times:-

The chairman-He objected to the section of his tail in the encounter. by Mrs. George Bass on "Votes for Women" last evening to present briefly a point of view which differed from that of the speaker, but was denied the opportunity by the Rev. Mr. Decker's emphatic waiving of the right of debate from the

Respectfully yours,



plied the rich boy, shrinkingly.

In the course of the debate the other day on the immigration bill So long as school boards find Fess began to set Burnett and the

Rep. Joseph W. Fordney of Mich-Modern physics explains a comet's igan, who has done right well in the iest member of the Michigan dele-

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